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House Bill 345

By: Representatives Scott of the 153rd, Black of the 174th, Roberts of the 154th, Floyd of the 147th, Royal of the 171st, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 27-3-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
- 2 unlawful enticement of game, so as to provide that it shall not be unlawful to hunt within the
- 3 vicinity of bait feeds on private lands or leased public lands; to repeal conflicting laws; and
- 4 for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 27-3-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the unlawful
- 8 enticement of game, is amended by striking in its entirety subsection (a) and inserting in lieu
- 9 thereof the following:
- 10 "(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, expose, deposit, distribute, or scatter any
- 11 corn, wheat, or other grains, salts, apples, or other feeds or bait so as to constitute a lure or
- attraction or enticement for any game bird or game animal on or over any area where
- hunters are or will be hunting; provided, however, that is:
- (1) The prohibition of this subsection shall not apply and it shall be lawful to hunt deer
- within the vicinity of such feeds if the hunter is at least 200 yards away from and not
- within sight of the feed or bait; and
- 17 (2) The prohibition of this subsection shall not apply and it shall be lawful to hunt within
- 18 <u>the vicinity of such feeds or bait used as a lure or attraction or enticement on private lands</u>
- or privately leased public lands."

20 SECTION 2.

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.